

St Stephen's Announcements Aug 29-Sept 4 2024

- **Rev. Allison announces her retirement from parish ministry next year August 2025** – Everyone at St. Stephen's is asked to participate in the coming year's process for finding a new Priest-in-Charge, starting with the visit of **Rev. Canon Anita Braden Oct 27th and the "Day of Discovery"**. Potluck lunch and discussion with church member input 12pm to 3pm.
- **Looking for a Treasurer Assistant** – Anne Roth has been serving as our treasurer for about 4 years and would like to train someone to take her place. Primary duties are to create checks to pay our bills, work with our bookkeeper, and prepare an annual budget (with vestry and bookkeeper) and annual report for the Diocese (fill in form sent by Diocese).
- **First Friday Film Night – September 6th 5:30pm.** We will watch "Babel" - Four interlocking stories connected by a event converge at the end to reveal a complex, tragic story of the lives of humanity around the world and how we truly aren't all that different. Salad supper. Bring your own beverage and invite a friend.
- **Second Saturday Supper – September 14th 6:30pm,** we will meet at GUADALAJARA STREET TACOS & HOTDOGS for our fellowship dinner. Situated at the corner of Hwy 92 and Foothills in the little 4 storefront mall. Address is 1100 AZ-92 ste 1, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635. . Menu can be found here <https://www.zmenu.com/street-tacos-guadalajara-sierra-vista-online-menu/> or <https://www.yelp.com/biz/street-tacos-y-hot-dogs-guadalajara-sierra-vista-3>
- **Vestry Meeting September 17th, 5:30pm in Parish Hall** - Anyone who has something to bring to the vestry is asked to see Wilma to add to the agenda. Anyone can attend vestry to see how the administration of the church business occurs.
- **Monthly Art and Meditation Hour – September 18th at 11am (monthly the 3rd Wed at 11am)** join us for a quiet reflective time to engage in your preferred creative endeavor ... needlepoint, cross-stitch, drawing, coloring, painting, zen-tangles, writing... We will spend the first 15 minutes in silence allowing ourselves to move into a more meditative place... after the 15 minutes, we can continue in silence or share quiet observations with one another. Bring your crafting items and see where your spirit takes you.
- **October 5-6 at Veteran's Park – Arts in the Park weekend.** No booth for St Stephen's but please go and enjoy the arts and crafts on display.
- **Please continue to drop off your aluminum cans and pull tabs** – We will continue to take to Animal Shelter to donate for them.
- **FREE FOR ANYONE** – Remember to check the table in the Parish Hall and the fridge drawer for goodies to take with you.
- **Koffee Kitty** asks for your donations to help with fellowship snacks and beverages. Please put a little something in the kitty.

Coming Up:

- **Diocesan Convention – Saturday Oct 19 at St. Philips in the Hills Tucson.** Churches around the diocese send delegates, clergy, and anyone interested in participating in the annual Diocesan Convention gather together for one day of fellowship, worship, learning, and sharing. Business portion of the Diocesan Convention will take place on zoom earlier in October.
- **Sunday October 20th – SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE PARK OUTDOORS WITH PICNIC/COOKOUT TO FOLLOW.** We have been invited to join together with our friends from Sierra Lutheran Evangelical Church for Sunday morning worship outside at Veteran's Park and then share in a time of fellowship and food afterwards. Our last parish picnic at the park was 2019 so this will be an opportunity for fun and friend-making with our ELCA Lutherans. No Sunday worship at church on this day. More info to follow.
- **Stewardship Campaign** – November 1-30th. Looking for a couple of people to assist Anne Roth with this year's campaign theme and letter.